GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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TRAINING CENTRES FOR PROVIDING EMPLOYMENT TO SCS/STS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to set up training centres to provide alternative employment to the people belonging to Scheduled Castes/ Scheduled Tribes in some States, specially in Gujarat; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.VENKAIAH NAIDU)

(a) & (b): While there is no proposal to separately set up training centres to provide alternative employment to Scheduled Castes (SCs) and Scheduled Tribes (STs),training is an integral part of the Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY)- a major self-employment programme for the rural poor in the country, including Schedule Castes and Schedule Tribes. Training is provided to the selected Swarozgaris, including SCs/STs, as per the requirement of the economic activity to be taken up and the skill requirements of Swarozgaris. Training can be provided through Institutions like Engineering Colleges, Polytechnics, Universities, reputed Non Government Organisations (NGOs), Krishi Vigyan Kendras, Khadi and Village Industries Boards, State Institutes of Rura Development, Extension Training Centres and other departmental facilities available in the area.